

REMARKS

This is a full and timely response to the final Office Action of January 11, 2005. Upon entry of this Second Response, claims 1-5, 8-14, and 17-24 remain pending in this application.

Reexamination, reconsideration, and allowance of the application and all presently pending claims are respectfully requested.

Response to §103 Rejections

Claims 1-5, 8-14, and 17-24 presently stand rejected under 35 U.S.C. §103 as purportedly being unpatentable over www.adobe.com/products/framesetmaker/sgmlwhatsnew.html, as it appeared on August 15, 2000, in view of *Huang*, U.S. Patent Application Publication US 2001/0032217, and further in view of http://web.archive.org/web/20000914072847/nocookie.quadralay.com/products/wwp_pro/default.asp, as it appeared on September 14, 2000. However, submitted herewith is a Declaration under 37 C.F.R. §1.131 establishing that the claimed inventions were conceived of and reduced to practice prior to August 15, 2000. Thus, none of the cited references used by the Office Action to reject claims 1-5, 8-14, and 17-24 qualify as prior art under 35 U.S.C. §102. See 37 C.F.R. §1.131. Accordingly, such references may not be used to reject the pending claims of the instant application under 35 U.S.C. §103.


For at least the above reasons, Applicants respectfully assert that the 35 U.S.C. §103 rejections of claim 1-5, 8-14, and 17-24 are improper and should be withdrawn.

CONCLUSION

Applicants respectfully request that all outstanding objections and rejections be withdrawn and that this application and all presently pending claims be allowed to issue. If the Examiner has any questions or comments regarding Applicants' response, the Examiner is encouraged to telephone Applicants' undersigned counsel.

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